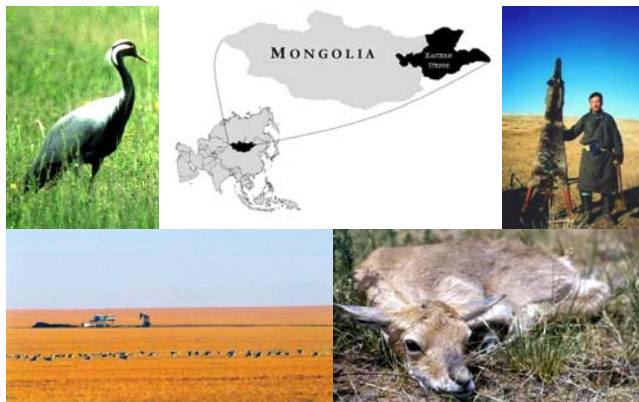




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The Eastern Steppe Living Landscape; clockwise: Map of the Eastern Steppe; a Mongolian hunter; a Mongolian gazelle calf (*Procapra gutturosa*); Mongolian gazelle grazing near oil drills on the Eastern Steppe; and a white-naped crane (*Grus vipio*)

PROJECT LOCATION:

Eastern Steppes region – Dornod, Sukhbaatar, and southern Khenti Aimags

PROJECT GOAL:

Develop a management system for the Eastern Steppe that preserves its ecological integrity using a wildlife-focused, proactive approach to landscape planning and implementation, and promote the adoption of sustainable conservation practices on the Eastern Steppe and throughout Mongolia

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

- Improve landscape-level planning and management based on the landscape species approach
- Promote policy changes based on sound knowledge of the needs of humans and wildlife
- Assist with development of economic alternatives that allow for sustainable use of steppe resources

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Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS)

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Started a monthly conservation networking and information sharing event
- Presented recommendations to the Mongolian Government on hunting regulations
- Presented recommendations to the Government on Brandt's vole management and use of rodenticides
- Collected, created metadata for, and began analyzing spatially explicit landscape data sets
- Performed research and published peer-review information on gazelle biology and management
- Hosted an international workshop on Mongolian gazelle harvest and management
- Submitted Mongolian gazelle harvest recommendations to the Mongolian Government
- Instituted agreements to review and assess eight Protected Area management plans.
- Sent a research associate for spring semester coursework at University of Massachusetts Amherst
- Developed plans to perform a formal Threats Assessment in collaboration with government, NGOs, and local communities

FUNDING PERIOD:

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